Allocation of additional funds to Rajasthan

2191. SHRIAIMADUDDIN AHMAD KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Rajasthan had in August this year sought allocation of additional funds to the tune of Rs. 100 crore from the five per cent funds reserved for utilisation in areas of acute distress arising out extraordinary seasonal conditions;

(b) if so, the grounds and justifications added in support of their demand; and

(c) the Central Government's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M. K. PATIL): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. A request was received from the Government of Rajasthan for assistance of Rs. 100 crores from the 5% of funds reserved for the distressed areas in view of the current drought situation in the State.

(c) Release to Rajasthan was not made as the State Government has huge unutilized funds and foodgrains under the Sampooma Grameen RozgarYojana (SGRY) as well as unutilized foodgrains under the Special Component of the SGRY.

Centrally sponsored schemes

2192. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Centrally sponsored schemes for the development of rural areas in the Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Orissa, Bihar, Andaman & Nicobar (Port Blair) and North, Eastern Region; and

(b) the details of financial assistance given by Government for the purpose during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M. K. PATIL): (a) The Ministry of Rural Development implements the following major schemes in Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Orissa, Bihar, Andaman & Nicobar and North Eastern Region:

(1) Sampoorna Gramin RozgarYojana (SGRY).

(2) Swarnjayanti Gram SwarozgarYojana (SGSY).